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The reply filed on 8/26/2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following matters: an election of one species in "Species Group II" is required. In the response filed 8/26/2005, applicant elected three species from "Species Group II": linear and cyclic dextrans, gelatin, and arginine. The election of a species in "Species Group II" was clearly stated as "Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species" and thus only one of the three recited species was to be elected. Applicant is advised to elect only one species from "Species Group II" (i.e., any one of the species recited in instant claims 21, 23, and 26--claims 79 and 92 were canceled). A telephone call was made to applicant's representative, Barbara Clark, to expedite the election on September 8, 2005. A message left on Ms. Clark's voicemail was not returned.

See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vickey Ronesi whose telephone number is (571) 272-2701. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vasu Jagannathan can be reached on (571) 272-1119. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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